The proposed installed capacity of Tripura Gas Based Power Project was initially framed at 500 MW. Due to reduced availability of gas from ONGC from 2.0 MMSCUMD to 1.0 MMSCUMD, the revised capacity of Tripura Gas Based Power Porject is now 280 MW only. This project would be the second biggest gas based thermal power plant in the North East. The power form this project will basically meet the requirement of N.E. Region. Only after having met the requirement of N.E. Region beneficiaries, the surplus power, is envisaged for evacuation outside the N.E. Region.

Assistance for energising electric irrigation pump sets in A.P.

1142. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Rural Electrification Corporation provides funds to the States for energizing electric irrigation pump sets;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the funds provided by the Corporation of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years, year-wise and number of pump sets energized during the said period in the States, district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details of funds provided by Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) for energization of electric irrigation pumpsets to the states during the last three years are given below:

2000-01	Rs. 311.62 Cr.
2001-02	Rs. 185.86 Cr.
2002-03	Rs. 440.93 Cr.

(c) Funds provided by REC to APTRANSCO and RE Cooperatives for pump sets energization during the last three years in Andhra Pradesh are as under:

Year	Loan amount disbursed
2000-01	Rs. 77.22 Cr.
2001-02	Rs. 15.96 Cr.
2002-03	Rs. 47.48 Cr.

Details of district-wise pump sets energization in Andhra Pradesh are given in the enclosed Statement.

Statement

District-wise No. of pumpsets energised in Andhra Pradesh during 2000-01 to 2002-03 under rec-financed schemes

Sl. No.		2000-2001		2001-02		2002-03	
		Pumpset Released		Pumpset Released		Pumpset Released	
	District	APTRANSCO	RE Co-operative	APTRANSCO	RE Co-operative	APTRANSCO	RE Co-operative
	EPDCL						
1.	Srikakulam			666		657	
2.	Vizianagaram		199	777	197	435	
3	Visakhapatnam		160	84	55	325	129
4.	East Godavari			158		628	
5.	West Godavari			730		573	
	SPDCL						
6.	Krishna			39		645	
7.	Guntur			423		324	
8.	Prakasam			105		91	
9.	Nellore		821	150	364	658	280
10.	Chitoor		844	217	438	756	530
11	Cuddapah		337	195	420	72	245
	CPDCL						0
							0
12	Anantapur		389	502	187	1532	220
13.	Kurnool			111		1551	
14	Mahabubnagar			163		1531	
15	Rangareddy					1102	
16	Hyderabad						
17	Medak		1629	488	809	752	270
18	Nalgonda			281		866	
	NPDCL						
19	Nizamabad			10		101	
20	Adilabad			256		390	
21.	Karimnagar		1452	219	1124	40	442
22.	Warangal			64		432	
23.	Khammam			140		133	
	TOTAL		5831	5829	3594	13594	2116
	STATE TOTAL	5831		9423		15710	

Note: 1 during 2000-01 REC has reimbursed for 17254 pumpsets energized by APRANSCO during 1999-2000.

2 During 2000-01 APRANSCO has not released any agricultural pumpsets.